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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Douglas E. Brenneman, Catherine Y. Spong, Illana Gozes, Merav Bassan, Rachel Zamostiano

Application No.: 09/267,511

Filed: March 12, 1999

For: PREVENTION OF FETAL ALCOHOL SYNDROME AND NEURONAL CELL DEATH WITH ADNF POLYPEPTIDES

Examiner: Chernyshev, Olga N.

Art Unit: 1646

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2002. A response to the Office Action was due on September 3, 2002. Therefore, a petition to extend the time for response for 2 months, from September 3, 2002, to November 3, 2002, is submitted herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Thrice amended) A method for reducing a condition associated with fetal alcohol syndrome in a subject who is exposed to alcohol *in utero*, the method comprising administering to the subject while *in utero* an ADNF polypeptide in an